



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

Christian Plank et al.

Application No.

10/023,317

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For

COMBINATIONS FOR INTRODUCING NUCLEIC

ACIDS INTO CELLS

Group Art Unit

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Examiner

Jon E. Angell

New York, New York August 30, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to file a Response to the June 3, 2004 Office Action. A check in the amount of \$210.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

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Application No. 10/023,317 Amendment dated August 30, 2004 Response to June 3, 2004 Office Action

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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